

REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated July 22, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 22, 2005. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Claim Objections

Claims 8, 28 and 46 have been amended to correct informalities as requested by the Examiner.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1, 3, 5-7, 11, 21, 23, 25, 27-29 and 31 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by *Coates et al.* Additionally, claims 1, 3, 11, 21, 23 and 31 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by *Blacklaw* GB 2311796. In response, Applicants have amended claims 1 and 21 to include substantially similar limitations of claims 2 and 22, respectively, which depended on these claims and were indicated by the Examiner to be allowable. Therefore, Applicants submit that claims 1 and 21 and all claims dependent thereon are allowable. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection and allowance of the claims.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has indicated that claims 2, 4, 6, 10, 12-20, 22, 24, 26, 30 and 32-38 would be allowable if rewritten in independent. As discussed above regarding claims 1 and 21, limitations of claims 2 and 22 have been incorporated into their respective independent claims. Thus, claims 2 and 22 have been canceled while claims 4, 6, 24, 26, 30 and 32-38 now depend from allowable claims. Claims 10, 12, 13 and 15 have all been amended to be in independent form. Therefore, these claims and claims dependent thereon are all allowable. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the objection and allowance of the claims.